

Prices and Prospects.

Increased Activity In Furnace Coke Market Is By Uncovered Consumers

Buying Range From Spot Lots
to Contracts for the
Month of July.

MINIMUM FIRM AT \$5.00

Inquiries for Third Quarter Develop-
ing; Both Buyers and Sellers Think
They Can Do Better in August; Little
No Foundry Contracting at \$4.50.

Special to The Weekly Courier.
PITTSBURG, June 27.—The fur-
nace coke market has been growing
quite active in the past week for
nearly deliveries, the necessary re-
sult of a number of consumers, cov-
ered for the quarter now ending, fol-
lowing to contract for third quarter. No
uniform policy is being followed by
these consumers as to the period for
which they will cover. The range
will be all the way from spot lots to
contracts for the month of July, and
there even remains a possibility of
there being some additional contract-
ing for the whole quarter.

Although the contracting move-
ment for third quarter, as a move-
ment, ended some time ago there is
still no very precise and trustworthy
estimate of the total volume of busi-
ness done. Substantially all the cur-
rent consumption has been under
contract, so that a large volume of
contracts expire at the end of this
week. All estimates are indefinite or
qualified, but it seems certain that
more than half the business, now
running out as duplicated in third
quarter contracts, and less than
three-fourths.

While a number of furnaces have
been talking of going out of blast
the probability is that none, or only
very few, will go out at this time.
Undoubtedly if the pig iron market
does not become more active some
furnaces will have to blow out event-
ually, say in a few weeks, but it is
obvious to anyone that it would be
logical for furnaces using pur-
chased coke to blow out at this pre-
sented moment. These furnaces
have had requirement contracts for
the quarter, at prices averaging
above \$7.00. They could have blown
out yesterday, last week or last
month, and been relieved of the
necessity of taking any more \$7.00
coke. They can run next week on
\$5.00 coke, which is obtainable in
the open market.

There have been several reasons for
a furnace picking out, for quitting,
the very moment when the produc-
tion cost decreases about \$2.00 a ton.
There has been a little more activity
in the past week in purely spot
lots of coke. Some of the buying has
been as insurance against possible
shortage next week on account of
the holiday, and some has been
take care of expiring contracts by
furnaces that have not covered for
the new quarter. In one in-
stance a purchase was made for
this week and next, the buyer hav-
ing decided to depend on prompt lots,
instead of contracting, and wishing
to start a week ahead, to be on the
safe side. This transaction was at
\$5.00 flat.

The spot market has not been elu-
cided as to whether it is a minimum,
there having been cases of this figure
being shaded a trifle, but on the other
hand there has been a little buying
for short periods, at a trifle more.

COKE FREIGHT RATES.

The freight rates on coke from
the Connellsville district, which
includes what is officially known
as the Connellsville region
(sometimes called the basin dis-
trict) and the Lower Connellsville
district (often called the
Mason's district) to principal
points for shipment, are as fol-
lows, per ton of 2,000 pounds,
effective July 1, 1923:

Destination.	Rate.
Baltimore	\$2.21
Buffalo	2.20
Canton	2.23
Chicago	4.23
Cleveland	2.27
Columbus	2.27
Detroit	2.65
El. St. Louis	4.14
Evansville	2.20
Harrisburg	1.90
Joliet	4.14
Louisville	4.16
Reading	2.20
New York	4.79
Philadelphia	2.24
Pittsburgh	1.51
Port Henry	4.64
Port Maitland, Ont.	3.58
Pottsville	2.22
Reading	2.20
Richmond, Va. (B. & O.)	4.69
Richmond, Va. (P. R. R.)	4.79
South Bethlehem	2.51
Swedesland, Pa.	2.53
Toledo, O.	2.28
Wheeling	2.27
Valley Forge	2.27

For Report:
From Connellsville district:
Connellsville (F. O. R. vasc.) \$2.02
Contract foundry \$2.00
Baltimore (F. O. R. vasc.) 1.02
From Latrobe district:
Philadelphia (F. O. R. vasc.) 2.35
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reaching its decision on the question,
Commissioners E. H. Darr and
C. C. Deschamps, in whole or in
part, from the majority in ordering
the abolition of the assigned car
practice.

About \$50,000,000 has been invested
by coal mine owners in private cars
for coal shipment and the commis-
sion's decision, which is the major-
ity decision, that such investment was
of no practical utility to owners except
during car shortage periods.

Many public utility companies and
manufacturing and industrial corpo-
rations who own coal cars, and the
commission decision said, will be de-
prived of the privilege of getting a
special supply in such equipment in
times of coal or car shortage. Their
equipment also must be distributed
pro rata among mines and not fur-
nished to any mine from which they
purchase coal in addition to that
mine's pro rata share of the rail-
road's own cars.

Private coal car ownership, the
commission held, would result in
"increasing gross inequality" between
users of coal, if the special assign-
ment rules were allowed to continue.
There also might result, it was de-
clared, a practice of installing pri-
vately owned locomotives and pri-
vately employed train crews.

Commissioner Potter, in a dissent,
said the commission in the case be-
fore it had "one of the roots of eco-
nomic and industrial disturbance"
but had "only nurtured the evil and
attempted to find a way to get along
in spite of it."

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION		WEEK ENDING JUNE 23, 1923.				WEEK ENDING JUNE 16, 1923.			
DISTRICT		Ovens	In	Out	Tons	Ovens	In	Out	Tons
Connellsville		18,240	14,028	4,215	172,170	18,240	14,028	4,215	172,170
Lower Connellsville		16,881	10,902	5,979	184,550	16,881	10,902	5,979	184,550
Totals		35,121	24,930	10,194	356,720	35,121	24,930	10,194	356,720
FURNACE OVENS		Ovens	In	Out	Tons	Ovens	In	Out	Tons
Connellsville		14,956	11,269	3,717	141,000	14,956	11,216	3,770	141,730
Lower Connellsville		6,532	3,715	2,817	49,200	6,556	3,371	3,215	38,720
Totals		21,508	14,984	6,534	190,200	21,512	14,587	6,985	180,450
MERCHANT OVENS.		Ovens	In	Out	Tons	Ovens	In	Out	Tons
Connellsville		3,257	2,759	493	31,170	3,257	2,759	493	30,000
Lower Connellsville		10,659	7,187	2,923	83,850	10,267	7,682	2,605	86,660
Totals		13,916	9,946	3,370	115,020	13,524	10,441	3,108	116,660

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"Mines cannot run full time because 12,000,000 or 12,000,000 tons of coal a week for a considerable period would glut the market. They, therefore, run only two or three days a week. In order to support men working on half-time costs per ton have so increased that mine wages are out of all proper relation to wages paid on the farm and by railroads and other industries. Common laborers make \$7.50 a day; loaders make from \$15 to \$18 a day; runners of cutting machines make from \$18 to \$20 a day; runners of gathering locomotives make from \$18 to \$20 a day. The result is that to produce coal is costing upward of \$2 a ton, whereas 10 years ago it was costing about 75 cents a ton.

Reduction of high coal prices

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Workers, have met with a sharp de-
feat and it is considered certain that
delegates of anthracite workers now
in session to frame new wage de-
mands will at least set out to gain
substantial wage advances. The com-
mission is required to make a report
by July 1 to aid in the wage negotia-
tions.

President Harding was advised of
impending danger to the anthracite
West, and he wrote a letter to John
H. Hammond, chairman of the com-
mission, stressing the necessity
of keeping the mines in operation.
The commission, in behalf of the gov-
ernment, is shaping its policy to take
an active hand as soon as the miners'
union representatives meet with the
committees representing mine opera-
tors, and will insist upon a settle-
ment.

Members of the commission do not
conceal their belief that the question
of anthracite valuations involved is
troublesome and probably beyond the
local power of the body to pass upon.
Whatever conclusions may be
reached on the subject will be de-
veloped in the final full report upon
the coal industry.

Thus the fair price of anthracite at
the mines will be shown to depend
upon two factors. One is the cost of
labor, considerably the largest and
easiest to ascertain. The second, in-
cluding the capital charges, will be
shown by the report to be a smaller
fraction, but fluctuating widely. In
the field of determination of whole-
sale and retail selling costs, the com-
mission also will refrain from ex-
pressing exact conclusions in the
forthcoming report, since anthracite
sales have been found to be inex-
actly mingled, and anthracite
sales and likewise associated with
ice, express and other business op-
erations.

Taking other aspects of the indus-
trial situation into view, the commis-
sion is said to hold that social and
living conditions in the anthracite
regions are fairly representative of
those available to the mass of the
nation. In reference to wastage and
efficiency of mining methods will also
be dealt with in the report. The
commission has tended to look ask-
ance at the present level of railroad
rates charged for anthracite trans-
portation, but the report will content
itself for the present with recom-
mending that the Interstate Com-
merce Commission look into the com-
parative levels of rates on that com-
modity as compared to bituminous
and similar products.

Southwestern furnace of the Re-
public Iron & Steel Company will
have been in blast six years without
intermission on August 17 producing
more than 1,000,000 tons of pig iron.

Production and Output.

Production Back to Level Attained Before Paring Down Became Necessary

Gain at Furnace Ovens Last
Week Brought Total to
306,720 Tons.

MERCHANTS STILL BELOW

Their Pre-Strike Record About Same
As Furnace Ovens are Above
Theirs; Assigned Car Decision Felt
By Operators Who Ship Raw Coal.

Coke production is now back to the
level to which it attained before the
paring down process began at mer-
chant plants when the decline in de-
mand made itself felt in early mid-
spring. The net increase of 4,320 tons
last week carried the regional total
to 306,720 tons, practically the same
as that during the week ended April
14.

It is significant, however, that the
gain of last week was wholly at fur-
nace plants and that the share of this
interest in the combined output is ap-
proximately 12,000 tons greater than
it was at the time the pre-strike
record was made. It is also worthy
of observation to note that merchant
production, which declined 430 tons
last week, is about as much below

the peak in April as the furnace out-
put is above it. In the week of April
14 furnace production was 177,440
tons, last week it was 190,200 tons.
Merchant tonnage at these periods
was 128,800 and 116,520 tons respec-
tively. This shows that although the
latter interest has recouped to the
extent of about 7,000 tons from the
low point in the week of June 2, it
still has some distance to go before it
reaches the level from which it
descended.

The fact that merchant production
has not grown proportionately with
furnace production has been in some
extent overlooked in view of the
gradual return of the combined out-
put to the volume ranging when the
industry was feeling the stimulus of
the early spring revival. In some
quarters the conclusion has been that
merchant operators have been speed-
ing up at a rather rapid rate instead
of moving at a comparatively slow
rate. This condition has found re-
flection in the price trend and to the
disadvantage of the merchant pro-
ducers who, in the main, have resist-
ed the declining tendencies.

Although the excessive hot weather
prevailing last week had the ef-
fect of slowing down operations, and
the car supply on the whole was
slightly below the recent weekly av-
erage, the output made a noticeable
increase. A total of 171 ovens were
added to the active list, and except
eight at furnace plants, a few plants
which had previously been closed
or two lay-off days made full time.
The gain in tonnage was at the fur-
nace plants, the merchants dropping
a trifle behind the preceding week.

The greater activity among com-
sumers of furnace coke who have not
contracted for the third quarter, but
are buying spot lots and in some
cases for the whole of the month of
July, is serving to give a better tone
to the market. Some of the buying
is in anticipation of a slump in pro-
duction next week incident to the
observation of Independence Day,
which is usual at this season. It has
not, however, assumed such propor-
tions as to cause appreciable increase
in price.

The decision of the Interstate
Commerce Commission abolishing the
assigned car practice and forbidding
giving owners of private cars prefer-
ence in car supply, has considerable
interest for those operators of the re-
gion who are engaged in shipping raw
coal in addition to making coke. In-
asmuch as the order applies specifi-
cally to cars used in the bituminous
coal trade, the reference is that pri-
vately owned coke cars will not be
subject to the prohibition. The H. C.
Frick Coke Company uses a number
of its own cars in hauling coal to the
Clairton by-product plant, and the
Raney interests in supplying coal to
the Raney-Wood Coke Company at
Swedesland. The Washington Coal &
Coke Company ships both coke and
coal in its own cars. These com-
panies will all be affected by the
order to the extent that their own
cars when available will be
included in the pro rata share of cars
to be placed.

Car supply eased off a little last
week, the average on the Monaca-
hela railway having been but 95 per
cent and 83 per cent coal. The
Pittsburgh average was 103 per
cent coke, and 82 per cent coal. Thus
far this week the Pennsylvania aver-
age ranged from 105 to 130 per cent
coke and 110 to 118 per cent coal.

The estimated production of coke
during the week ended Saturday, June
23, was 305,720 tons, divided as fol-
lows: Connellsville district, 172,170
a decrease of 490 tons; Lower Con-
nellsville district, 116,550, an increase
of 470 tons; and 17,000 tons of coke
of 4,320 tons as compared with a total
increase of 6,700 tons during the
preceding week.

By interests the production was:
Furnace, 190,200, a gain of 4,320 tons
merchant, 116,520, a loss of 430 tons,
as compared with gains of 3,800 and
4,150 tons respectively, during the
week ended June 16.

There was a gain of 171 ovens, 53
at Frick, 110 at independent furnace
and eight at merchant plants.

Production by the two interests and
the total compared with the corre-
sponding week in 1922 is shown here-
with:

Week	Month	Furn.	Total	Total
Jan.	6	54,550	122,470	177,020
Feb.	13	82,660	163,680	246,340
Mar.	20	99,790	185,190	284,980
Apr.	27	128,000	213,390	341,390
May	5	98,990	144,110	243,100
June	12	107,280	151,590	258,870
July	19	118,190	163,380	281,570
Aug.	26	111,320	149,850	261,170
Sept.	3	111,320	149,850	261,170
Oct.	10	111,320	149,850	261,170
Nov.	17	111,320	149,850	261,170
Dec.	24	111,320	149,850	261,170
1922 to Date				2,602,920
1923 to Date				2,602,920

Glass output of plate glass was in-
creased in recent years. The esti-
mated high record of 80,000,000
square feet for 1922 follows a pro-
duction of 76,878,297 square feet in
1921, and an output of 53,578,522
square feet in 1920.

Daughtery Declares U. S. Will Prevent Tieup of Coal Imports If Miners Strike

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Any attempt of the United Mine Workers of America in combination with the unions of foreign countries to prevent shipment of coal from abroad to the United States during progress of a strike here will be prevented by the government of the United States "promptly and forcefully," Attorney General Daughtery declared today in a letter to the Federal Coal Commission. He declared his attention had been called to "what is claimed to be a contract between officials of the miners' union in the United States and certain officials of a similar organization in foreign countries" for

such a check to coal shipments during a strike. He asked the coal commission to give him the facts obtainable. John Hays Hammond, chairman of the Coal Commission, said an investigation would be made but so far the commission had no official data. Mr. Hammond, however, said that John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, recently had been in England in conference with union officials and that after his return allegations had been publicly made to the effect that the American organization had perfected some agreement with the mine workers abroad.

NATION-WIDE COAL STORAGE SURVEY IS PLAN OF ENGINEERS

Will Act in Harmony With the United States Coal Commission.

INQUIRY TO BE THOROUGH

Plans for a nation-wide coal storage survey have been announced by the executive board of the American Engineering Council of the Federal Engineering Societies. The federation, it was stated, is acting in harmony with the United States Coal Commission, the Department of Commerce and other agencies in an effort to approach a solution of the nation's coal problems. In making the storage of coal study, the Federated American Engineering Societies will collect data from every important industrial center, and in so far as possible from all the principal industries, the announcement states.

The storage of coal has been discussed for many years. Various groups have carefully studied some of the important factors involved. However, all of this material never has been brought together, analyzed, and disseminated in an authoritative statement. The general consensus of opinion is that the storage of coal is of prime importance in solving the complex coal situation.

The United States Coal Commission and the Department of Commerce are making studies of certain features of the engineering, chemical, and economic aspects of the storage of coal. The Bureau of Mines has done likewise. However, the work of the three agencies named and that of the Federated American Engineering Societies can and will be so coordinated as to avoid duplication, confusion, and conflict.

The object is to determine the engineering, chemical, and economic factors involved in the storage of coal and the influence of those factors on storage at the mine and by various classes of consumers. It is planned to make the coal storage investigation the most comprehensive of its kind ever undertaken in this country. Conditions among all classes of consumers, from the householder to the largest industries, will be reviewed to ascertain the "quantity, kind, character, and size of coal; time of year coal is stored; conditions under which it is stored; length of time in storage and location of storage; methods of storage to include stacking and reclaiming as well as the use to which the stored coal is put."

West Virginia Asks Rehearing In Gas Decision

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The state of West Virginia today asked the Supreme Court for a rehearing on the natural gas cases brought against it by Ohio and Pennsylvania. The request was taken under advisement, while the result of the court's mandate to carry out its decision on June 11 will remain in abeyance until after the regular fall term begins October 1.

In that decision it was held that West Virginia could not restrict the exportation of its natural gas and that the state law providing for a commission to regulate the flow across state lines was invalid, as interference with interstate commerce.

Carriers Look For Big Fall Business

Railroads, anticipating a tremendous movement of food products and fuel during the fall months, are taking unprecedented steps to prepare for it. According to records of the American Railway Association, between April 15 and June 8, 41,000 empty boxcars were turned over by eastern roads to the western lines, and are being parked on side-tracks throughout the central belts, awaiting harvest.

Railroads are now sending approximately 1,000 empty cars a day through Chicago and St. Louis to add to the 11,000, and the car-service division of the railway association has ordered this number to be increased to 1,150 cars per day, on and after June 15. Steady purchasing of new equipment has enabled railroads to get into service between January 1 and June 1, according to the service division, 15,660 new freight cars, while 107,779 are in process of manufacture.

Electric Power Plants Make Big Production Gain

A remarkable increase throughout the United States in efficiency in the use of fuel and the production of electricity during the past four years is seen in a statement just issued by the Department of the Interior, through the Geological Survey.

The statement indicates that electric public-utility power plants produced more electricity in 1932 than ever before, and that over one-third of the total amount produced was generated at water-power plants, thereby conserving over 20,000,000 tons of coal in 1932. New York is the leading state in the production of electricity by public-utility power plants and California is the leading state in the production of electricity by the use of water power. One-fifth of the total amount of electricity produced by water power in the United States is produced by California's hydroelectric power plants.

Reports on the monthly production of electricity and consumption of fuel by electric public-utility power plants in the United States are now being published by the Geological Survey. These reports were started in 1919, covering the months of February, March, April, July, September, and October in that year, and have been published each month beginning with January, 1920. They show the output of central stations, municipal plants, plants generating electricity for the operation of street railways and electrified steam railroads, and the portion of the output of a few manufacturing plants that is sold for public use.

Railroads Making Series of Records

"The railways of the United States during the past year have individually and collectively made the finest record of efficient operation that has ever been made in their history or the history of any railway system in the world," declares R. H. Ashton, president of the American Railway Association. "Railway management, ever since private operation was resumed three years ago, has been subject to constant and bitter criticism and attack from various sources and upon various grounds. The best answer to these criticisms that can be made is the record of achievement which the railways have put to their credit within the last 12 months."

"During the first 130 working days of the present year they moved over 231,000,000 tons of bituminous coal, the largest amount ever transported in the same part of any year except the war year 1918, and until the demand for coal began to slacken as spring advanced, they were moving more coal than even in 1918. In addition to the movement of this coal during the last nine months the railroads have handled a larger total freight business than in the corresponding months of any previous period in history."

From January 1 to June 2 they loaded and moved 2,147,000 more carloads of freight, or over 12 per cent more than in the same period of any previous year. The largest freight movement usually comes in October, but in the week ended May 26 the total cars loaded exceeded 1,014,000 which has been exceeded in only two weeks in the fall of previous years. The revenue loading for the week ended June 8, 1,012,240 cars of revenue freight, an increase of 176,521 cars over the corresponding week of 1932.

Lake Shipments Decrease Slightly

According to reports from the Ore and Coal Exchange, a total of 1,067,368 net tons of soft coal were dumped over Lake Erie piers in the week ended June 17, against 1,140,581 tons in the week preceding. Of the total numbers, 1,011,778 tons were cargo coal and 55,590 tons were vessel fuel. The cumulative dumpings from the opening of navigation to June 17 was 7,909,456 net tons. This was a decrease of 1.4 per cent when compared with 1931, but was 180 per cent and 163 per cent larger than in 1922 and 1920 respectively.

Coal Mine Fatalities Increased During Strike

Coal mine fatalities in the United States in April numbered 176, or at the rate of 2.49 per million tons of coal mined, according to the United States bureau of Mines. Last April, when the strike was on, fatalities totaled 78 or 4.87 per million tons. In the first four months of 1933 fatalities have totaled 523 at the rate of 3.95, against 671 and a rate of 4.04 for the corresponding four months of 1932.

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN THE CONNELLSVILLE DISTRICT

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, June 23, 1933.

Ovens	In Works	Name of Operators	Address
MERCHANT OVENS			
182	103	Beatty	Greensburg
40	103	Brush Hill	Greensburg
180	104	Clara	Greensburg
87	87	Clarissa	Connellsville
100	100	Elm Grove	New York
86	86	Port Hill	New York
101	94	Gilmora	Uniontown
20	10	Gracie	Connellsville
146	146	Humphreys	Greensburg
270	278	Mt. Braddock	New York
310	310	Mt. Pleasant	Greensburg
32	32	Norris	Uniontown
66	66	Norris	Connellsville
128	257	Oliver No. 1	Pittsburg
145	240	Oliver No. 2	Pittsburg
300	409	Oliver No. 3	Pittsburg
90	91	Pearl	New York
32	20	Pearl	Connellsville
40	40	Reverend	New York
49	49	Thomas	Uniontown
13	25	West Penn	Pittsburg
3,257	2,759		
FURNACE OVENS			
260	65	Adelaide	Pittsburg
264	264	Alvaston	Pittsburg
282	282	Bugisley	Pittsburg
300	100	Bitter	Pittsburg
243	243	Brookerton	Pittsburg
200	200	Calumet	Pittsburg
401	401	Central	Pittsburg
400	400	Collier	Pittsburg
400	409	Continental	Pittsburg
225	225	Continental	Pittsburg
300	300	Crossland	Pittsburg
303	303	Davidson	Pittsburg
230	230	Davidson	Pittsburg
272	272	Hecla No. 1	Dunbar
450	205	Hecla No. 2	Pittsburg
200	200	Hecla No. 3	Pittsburg
855	855	Hostetter	Pittsburg
248	248	Hostetter	Pittsburg
112	112	Kyle	Pittsburg
499	499	Leisenring	Pittsburg
102	102	Leisenring	Pittsburg
503	503	Leisenring	Pittsburg
404	404	Leish	Pittsburg
237	237	Lemont No. 1	Pittsburg
310	310	Lemont No. 2	Pittsburg
500	500	Mammoth	Pittsburg
309	309	Marguerite	Pittsburg
256	256	Oliphant	Pittsburg
400	400	Phillips	Pittsburg
443	443	Redstone	Pittsburg
445	445	Shoat	Pittsburg
425	425	Southwest	Pittsburg
150	150	Southwest	Pittsburg
204	204	Southwest	Pittsburg
90	90	Standard	Pittsburg
164	164	Trotter	Pittsburg
330	330	United	Pittsburg
312	312	Whitney	Pittsburg
800	800	Wynn	Pittsburg
500	500	Yorkman	Pittsburg
245	245	Youngstown	Pittsburg
14,080	11,200		

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Thinning of Peaches and Apples Urged on Growers

The set of fruit this year, especially peaches and apples, is unusually heavy, and according to Prof. Paul Thayer of the extension department of Pennsylvania State College, Fayette county fruit growers will do well at this time to consider thinning out the small fruit when the proper time comes.

It may seem queer to go through loaded fruit trees and cut out some of the fruit, but Prof. Thayer points out that those fruit growers whose product commands the highest price realize that this is not only a sensible procedure but a very profitable one. The removal of three-fourths of nine-tenths of the fruit on a tree usually means that the remainder will enlarge enough in size so that the actual reduction in total volume will be slight, if any.

The need is the portion of fruit which takes the energies of the plant to produce as it contains most of the mineral matter. By cutting the trees this strain of vitality from the trees the increased size of the fruit renders

much more valuable. The time for this work is just after the stalks fall in the case of peaches and after the June drop in the case of apples. Roughly, this is the month of June, although, of course, it varies with the season and latitude. Peaches should be thinned before the pits harden which means about July in the central part of the State. Peaches are snapped off with the thumb and finger, leaving one peach every six or eight inches. Apples are cut off with a pair of small scissors, leaving one apple in each fruit cluster.

This is the first time for a number of years that Fayette county fruit prospects have been promising. Most every variety of fruit trees is bursting with vigor which is readily shown by the wonderful fruit sets already noticed. Unless thinning is practiced the crop this year will have a tendency to decrease the vitality of the fruit trees and satisfactory results will not be expected from the trees in the coming years.

MOUNT PLEASANT NEGRO BEATS WIFE DEAD WITH HAMMER

Confession Said to Have Been Made by William Bray.

WAS DRUNK AT THE TIME

MOUNT PLEASANT, June 22.—One of the most brutal murders in the history of the town was disclosed yesterday afternoon when the body of Mrs. Belle Chase Bray, 50 years old, colored, was found lying in her home on the rear of the Charles Leonard lot, Main street, her head beaten in with a hammer.

William Bray, the husband, was arrested and is said by the officers to have confessed to having beaten his wife over the head with a hammer and to have struck her four times with an axe. He is now in jail in Greensburg.

Bray is believed to have killed his wife while drunk. It is said he had been drinking heavily for several days. The attack on his wife was Tuesday night, according to the story the officers said he told them when arraigned before Justice of the Peace L. S. Rhoads.

Early Thursday morning Bray is said to have accosted two men on their way to work and to have asked them if they would come and see if his wife was not dead. The men knew he had been drinking and paid no attention to him, it is said.

About noon Bray approached Councilman Arthur Gearhart, who operates a garage near the house, with a plea to come and see if his wife was alive or dead. Mr. Gearhart called Deputy Coroner M. W. Horner. Dr. Hagner found the lifeless body on the floor.

Scattered about were paper and matches, indicating that an attempt had been made by Bray to get the body after. Bray told the officers his wife had been alive and that he had extinguished the flames.

Bray made no effort to leave the scene. Chief of Police Robert Smith placed him under arrest. He still seemed to be suffering from over-indulgence in drink. He ate a hearty meal.

When questioned before the magistrate as to the alleged attempt to burn his wife's body, Bray denied this.

The body of Mrs. Bray was removed to the Reichenbach undertaking rooms. The funeral was held today.

C. B. MARIETTA IN MOTOR ACCIDENT NEAR LIGONIER

While attempting to get out of the way of an automobile which was said to be speeding down the mountain on the Lincoln highway, near Mount Ligonier, June 22, C. B. Marietta of Ligonier, formerly of Connelville, suddenly swerved his machine from the highway and plunged it into a telegraph pole at the side of the road. Mr. and Mrs. Marietta and two daughters, Jean and Mary George, and Mrs. J. W. Updegraff and daughter, Marjory, of Ligonier, escaped injury when the crash shattered the windshield and crumpled the fender. Mary George Marietta suffered only cuts on the face and had some teeth broken. None of the other occupants of the car was injured. The other car, driven by an Altoona man, was prevented from rolling down the precipitous mountain side to the right by the steel cable which stopped the heading course when the driver wanted the car to the side to avoid collision.

The Marietta car was proceeding west, enroute to Johnstown, when Mr. Marietta saw the Altoona car rushing toward him only 15 or 20 feet away.

Mr. Marietta is a son of Mrs. Rockwell Marietta of Connelville.

Suit Against West Penn. GREENSBURG, June 20.—G. I. Moore has filed an action in trespass against the West Penn Railways Company asking for \$1,000 damages which he claims were sustained when he car that he was driving near New Stanton was struck and damaged by a car operated by the defendant. The plaintiff also alleges that he received a number of lacerations as the result of the accident which he says occurred June 4, 1932.

At California Normal. Misses Emma and Grace Myers and Miss Edith Larson of Fairwoods are attending state normal at California.

CONFLUENCE MAN HURT WHEN TREE BLOWS ONTO AUTO

W. H. Clouse, Lumberman, at Frantz Hospital, Almost Scalded.

SOMERFIELD WIND CENTER

During a severe storm which swept over the region about Confluence Friday afternoon, W. H. Clouse, general manager of the Confluence Lumber Yard, Mrs. Clouse and her nephew, Charles Downs, five years old, who were enjoying an outing near the Hanna place along the Confluence River took refuge in their automobile. A tree nearby was snapped off by the wind and fell across the car, severely injuring Mr. Clouse and causing minor injuries to Mrs. Clouse. The boy escaped.

Mr. Clouse was all but scalped and was rendered unconscious for some time. A limb of the tree which was jammed through the top of the car tore the scalp loose on both sides.

John Lenhart, of Listonburg, who came along in an automobile, took the injured man to the Frantz Hospital. Citizens of Somerfield, near the county line, said the storm in that region was the worst experienced in 64 years. It was continuous, lasting for approximately an hour or more. The wind blew a gale and unroofed a portion of the house of Mrs. H. F. Wegman of that place. There was also considerable thunder and lightning.

Between Somerfield and Addison trees on the Jasper Augustine place were blown across the road, tearing down telephone wires and blocking traffic on the National pike. A big tree on the property of M. J. Roland of this city, located just on the outskirts of Somerfield, also blew down, blocking the road to Guard, Md.

Streams quickly attained flood stages and the Youghiogheny River at that place gained in volume. Country roads were washed out and crops were beaten down, especially young corn.

The storm there abated about 7:30 o'clock and shortly after that time the pike was cleared and traffic was able to pass.

The rain at Leesport was not of such a fierce nature. There was a heavy downpour, however. Local persons in Leesport last night reported a bad storm at that place.

The Indian Creek Valley was also visited by a heavy rain, accompanied by wind. The Dawson Ferry region was another district mired by the storm.

The home of Clyde Pitts at Normalville was struck by lightning. The end of the house was torn away. Members of the family were in a room in the opposite end of the house. They were not injured.

The recording thermometer on the West Penn building showed a temperature of 100 at the maximum point reached yesterday afternoon. It fell 10 degrees as soon as the wind, which blew strongly for a time, sprang up. A similar thermometer at the home of Rev. F. J. Scott showed a temperature of 95 degrees at the maximum height.

The minimum temperature last night was 72 degrees, the warmest yet recorded this summer. Most persons found sleeping more comfortable without covering.

Slayer of Chick Brown Sentenced To Die in Chair

William Thompson, negro, who shot and killed Charles "Chick" Brown at the Luters coke plant last January 20 and who was found guilty of murder in the first degree at the March term of criminal court in Uniontown, was sentenced Saturday to die in the electric chair.

Abandoned Car Sells for \$12

An delapidated touring car, left here many weeks ago by two men from West Virginia who were unable to produce a license for it, has been sold on an order from the sheriff. O. C. Harmon gave \$12 for it. The men claiming to own the car left it here as security and were permitted to go after the license proving they were the owners. They never returned.

The machine stood in Denn avenue, along the wall of the east approach to the Youghiogheny River bridge, and was badly weather beaten. Much of the equipment possible to detach was stolen from the machine.

Dr. Cataldo Corrado Guest at Banquet

The Catholic Athletic Union gave a banquet Tuesday evening in Maddox Hall in honor of Dr. Cataldo Corrado, the first Italian young man of this city to receive such a degree. During the course of the banquet served by the Children of Mary of St. Rita's Church, congratulatory speeches were made by the Rev. Henri DeVivo, Maxwell Lutz, L. E. Cunen, Joseph Corrado, Gaetano Corrado, Anthony Corrado, Frank Pasqualina, Nick Renzi and Alfred Falcope.

Dawson Woman of 82 Suffers a Hip Fracture in Fall

Mrs. Julia Goodwillie of Dawson fell Tuesday morning and sustained a fracture of the hip. Mrs. Goodwillie is 82 years of age. She makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. James S. Laughrey of North Dawson.

SOMERSET POMONA GRANGE INDORSES DORMITORY FUND

SOMERSET, June 19.—Endorsement of the State Grange in sponsoring a proposed new \$250,000 dormitory building for girls at State College was the outstanding feature of the quarterly session of Somerset County Pomona Grange Saturday. The members raised \$200 "just for a starter."

The session opened Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the Hillcrest Grange Hall, with more than 200 members present. Prof. A. C. Coker, assistant superintendent of schools of Somerset county, made the address of welcome, which was responded to by J. M. Young, of Conemaugh Grange.

A recess was called before the start of the afternoon session, when the following program was given: "Farmers' Interests in Recently Enacted Federal and State Laws," by L. R. Freidline of Jonestown Grange and Robert Lohr of Boswell; "What Can We Do to Better Grange Life?" Mrs. A. W. Knepper of Somerset Grange and Miss Lucy Shober of Valley Grange; "Can We Be Content With the Present System of Spending Township and County Funds?" R. V. Eason of Rockwood Grange.

At 7:30 P. M. the fifth or Pomona degree was conferred upon a class of 117 members.

GREENSBURG STARTS MOVEMENT FOR FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

GREENSBURG, June 20.—Fifty boosters for a public free library in Greensburg, assembled in the Y. M. C. Auditorium last evening, with Judge James S. Beason presiding. A library association was formed, and a constitution and by-laws prepared by Attorney Curtis H. Gregg and members of his committee, adopted.

The yearly membership fee in the Greensburg Library Association is to be one dollar. A campaign will be waged to secure memberships and all residents of Greensburg who want a library enough to pay the yearly dues of one dollar in the association, are invited to join.

The association selected the following members of a board of directors: To serve for a two year term, General Richard Corlier, Charles McKenna, Lynch, Mrs. Joseph Ziskind and John M. Jamison; to serve one year term, Miss Edna McFarland, Mrs. Morrisson Barclay and Rev. Henry Riddle, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Miss Krouse, librarian of the public library at Scottdale, delivered a most interesting address.

Nicholson May Get First State Aid

Extension of state highways to Nicholson township including the section of unimproved road to Smithfield is provided in a bill passed by the Legislature at the session just closed. The bill, however, has not been signed as yet by the governor and no indication has been given as to what he intends to do with it.

If the bill becomes a law it will be the first time in the history of the township that Nicholson has received a dollar of state or county money for the improvement of the roads.

Inclusion of the Nicholson township road in the extension of the state highway was made possible through the activity of Senator Guy W. Brown, representative of the Nicholson and the other members of the Fayette county delegation to the state assembly.

Somerset Normal School Is Opened

SOMERSET, June 19.—The Somerset Branch Normal School for the summer term opened Monday and will continue until August 18. Prof. C. B. Ream of California State Normal School is acting as supervising principal. Nine state normal school teachers are in charge of the school activities.

A model trading school has been organized for grades from one to six and is under direct supervision of Prof. Ream. Music, art and physical education will be taught in connection with subjects on method and psychology. High school subjects will be taught to accommodate teachers in need of these subjects. There are 110 pupils enrolled in the summer normal school.

Runaway Car Injures Greensburg Lawyer

GREENSBURG, June 19.—George Gregg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis H. Gregg, suffered a severe crash on the leg when an automobile out of control of the driver dashed into a group of men standing in front of the court house yesterday. A spring projection caught his leg just above the knee. The fender of the car scraped against the knee of the elder Mr. Gregg, as he leaped away. The injured man is a member of the law firm of Gregg & Gregg.

The car was driven by Miss Vaccaro.

Somerset Co. Wool Growers Sell Clip

MEYERSDALE, June 19.—The Somerset County Sheep and Wool Growers' Association, of which C. M. Gregor of Somerset is president, and H. G. Pack of Fort Hill, is secretary, has disposed of the entire season's clip at 46 cents per pound. It is announced by the association that shipments will be made as follows: From Shroyersburg, Tuesday; Rockwood, Wednesday; Meyersdale, Wednesday.

VETERANS OF THREE WARS GATHER AT BIER COMRADE W. A. ARTIS

Military funeral services, in which veterans of three wars participated, were held Wednesday, June 21, for William A. Artis, Civil War veteran, at the family home in East Apple street. The funeral was the largest held here in months. Rev. Dr. W. H. Heister, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, of which Mr. Artis was a member, assisted by Rev. E. H. Stevens of the First Baptist Church, officiated. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

A quartet composed of Miss Gladys Albright, Mrs. O. S. Shook, S. B. Duff and R. O. Clough sang "Auld With Me" and "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Following the services General Worth Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, conducted the lodge ceremonies at the home. Pallbearers were: Active, H. O. Welker, Lloyd Wilkey, T. R. Cunningham, H. L. Bishop, J. A. Keeler and William C. DeBolt, all members of Camp Walter E. Brown, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Colonel James J. Barnhart, W. H. Shier, Captain Strickler, James G. High, Charles Collins, A. S. Haddock, A. K. Brashers, John Robinson, William Richter, C. H. Whitley, Adam Sprink, Captain Edmund Dunn, C. H. Hill, J. E. Jones and Mr. Johnson, all members of William F. Kurtz Post, No. 104, Grand Army of the Republic, with the exception of Mr. Hicks, an honorary member, and Mr. Johnson, who is a member of the Normalville Post. The G. A. R. ritual, in charge of Commander Clark, was carried out at the grave in Hill Grove cemetery. Rev. Stevens offered prayer.

The firing squad was composed of Don Campbell, Chris Jim, Ralph Cover, Charles Yaw, Charles McKort, Charles A. McCormick and Charles Carson of Milton L. Bishop Post, The American Legion. After three volleys had been fired over the grave taps were sounded by Roy O. Clubb.

SERUM TREATMENT CURES RHEUMATISM

NEW YORK, June 20.—Medicine has claimed a great victory in the struggle against diseases which for centuries have plagued mankind. Announcement was made by the New York University Medical College of a cure for rheumatism, which it was claimed had proved positive in 50 per cent of 5,000 cases experimentally handled.

The cure consists of injections of serum of a patient who has been afflicted with rheumatism which doctors who discovered the treatment declared, is acknowledged to be the underlying cause of rheumatism.

Announcement of the cure followed closely the revelation by radiologists of the Bellevue Hospital laboratories of a new treatment of cancer, where X-rays of 250,000 volts are used for long periods of time on cancer-infected regions of the body. Miss Anna Ellis, first patient to be thus treated, was reported to be steadily improving.

The rheumatism cure is the latest in a series of discoveries of serums and treatments against diseases which have hitherto been regarded as incurable. The insulin treatment for diabetes, but recently developed, already has been hailed as the conqueror of the disease, while the tuberculin treatment for sleeping sickness of the African variety, periton and other mental diseases has proven to be successful.

400 ENROLLED IN FAYETTE GAME AND FISH ASSOCIATION

State Game Protector G. R. Bryson of Uniontown paid a visit yesterday to H. L. Krepps, president of the recently organized Fayette County Game & Fish Protective Association and consulted with him regarding progress of the association and other matters. Mr. Bryson brought with him a setting of 15 ringneck pheasant eggs which Mr. Krepps plans to have hatched for distribution after the close of the next hunting season. Mr. Bryson indicated to Mr. Krepps that a considerable planting of trout will be made next fall in this section.

Membership in the organization has reached about 400, Mr. Krepps said. Applications are being received from remote parts to the county. Some workers are tuning in as many as 10 a day, Mr. Krepps said.

Relics of McKeesport Gas Boom to Be Sold

McKEESPORT, June 21.—One hundred building lots are to be placed on sale in McKeesport at about \$250 each, according to George W. Gray, treasurer and collector of taxes.

The lots are "white elephant" relics of the McKeesport gas boom several years ago and are in the Ninth Ward of the city. The names and addresses of the owners are unknown, but they are believed to be persons living outside of McKeesport who bought vacant properties expecting to put them to profitable use. They have not been paid upon the lots and they are to be sold for revenue.

The sale is to be conducted under a new law which gives the treasurer of a city the right to sell land for the taxes and another law, recently passed, which permits the city to give a clear title.

Griff Mm Burned.

SOMERSET, June 20.—A blaze of unknown origin, which broke out Tuesday morning at the Fredrick Grange hall at Haystack, eight miles from Somerset, resulted in a loss of about \$2,000, which is partly covered by insurance. The Somerset Volunteer Fire Company was called out to fight the fire.

Col. McCain Defends Reporter as Wheel Horse Of Nation's Newspapers

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 18.—before the State Editorial Association convention here Saturday. "The reporter is the wheel horse of every newspaper organization," declared the colonel. "Editors may arrive, business managers may manage, circulation men may circulate, but not one of them could function were it not for the reporter. The public buys the newspaper to get the news. The reporter gets the news."

Colonel McCain, who has been a newspaper man for 44 years, spoke

ADDITION TO PERRY SCHOOL BUILDING IS HALTED BY COURT

Work on the erection of a four-room addition to the grade school building at Perryopolis has been halted by an injunction granted in Uniontown Monday. The same order restrains the tax collector, Peter Ant, from collecting a school tax of 42 mills.

The petition was presented by George M. Duff, David B. Cook, Jacob Hough et al, taxpayers of the district. The members of the school board are J. K. McIntire, J. Buell Snyder, Walter Risbeck, Norman C. Piersol, Fred W. Edwards, Charles Thrasher and W. Blair.

The hearing on the injunction will be Saturday at 10 o'clock in Uniontown. The petition sets forth that the millage is excessive and illegal and would work a great injustice upon not only the taxpayers but the generation to come. Contract for the new building was let to the Brownsville Construction Company and the company has already broken ground. At a meeting of the board held May 24, a resolution was passed authorizing the tax collector to collect 42 mills on every dollar of the assessed valuation. The petitioners claim that the township is already in debt and they cannot stand the increase in taxes.

The addition will cost about \$51,000.

CITY WILL SEEK TO RECOVER \$10,000 OVERPAID DUGGAN

Work on the paving and grading of Cottage avenue has been halted by Contractor M. Duggan as the result of difficulty involving \$10,000 which has arisen between him and the City Council. According to the claims it was only discovered recently that Mrs. Duggan was overpaid \$10,000 for the work done on First street, West Side, and completed about a year ago. Refusal to advance him a voucher for the work done so far on the present job resulted in the contractor moving all his equipment and putting up his molds for the curbing.

According to Council clerk, work purchased in February, 1930, for the surface of First street. Work was then delayed and the brick company, desiring payment, was advanced the money by council. Then, when the contractor was paid, it is said, he also received \$10,000 for the brick, which had already been purchased by the city.

The error was discovered only recently. According to Mayor C. C. Mitchell steps will be taken to secure a return of the money which belongs to the city. Although Contractor Duggan has already moved his equipment, it is said the voucher for the Cottage avenue work was not due until today.

Other committees are: Swimming—Frank Hill, Thomas R. Francis and Alex B. Hood. Fireworks—Gastano Corrado, Charles B. Franks and E. Boyd Glasgow. Piano—Thomas J. Hill, Charles L. Work, Frank R. Graham, Walter H. Glasgow, J. C. Whitley and W. R. Long.

Parking—Charles Carroll, Welby O. Adrian, Charles Woods and Edward L. Duggan. Golf—James B. Hurst, Joseph J. Thompson, J. R. Davidson, Stanley Rowe and Clarence A. Port.

Baseball—Dr. J. L. Cochran, John D. Frisbee and Emory F. Laughrey. Horseshoes—Clyde W. Davis, George W. Campbell and G. Frank Kelly.

Athletics—Jesse Cook, Ross S. Matthews and Edward Miller. Tennis—Frank M. Wright, John R. Brown and Edward Stevenson. Music—Edward A. Byrne, Bart F. Zearley and J. E. Evans.

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Local United Brethren Endeavorers Carry Off Conference Grand Banner

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society of the United Brethren Church of Connellsville was awarded the grand banner in that department of Christian Endeavor work in the Allegheny Conference at the annual conference convention at Scottsdale, which closed Thursday. The banner is the prize for which all societies in the conference strive and is awarded for general efficiency, which embraces attendance, Bible study, missionary work, etc. The Connellsville society, of which Mrs. E. A. Sharp, wife of the pastor, is superintendent, attained 571 points.

Miss Margaret Sharp, delegate, received the banner. Miss Dorothy

Kern was the other delegate of the society.

The Connellsville Juniors society numbers 80 members.

The Senior society of Connellsville was among 16 in the conference which were awarded endeavoring pennants. The grand banner in the Senior department went to Clearfield. Thirty-five banner society pennants were awarded to those societies which attained a certain standard of excellence.

The Senior delegates were Mary Kooser and Margaret Gorsuch. Others attending the sessions included Rev. and Mrs. Sharp.

W. T. KENNEDY ANSWERS THE FINAL SUMMONS

Second Attack of Pneumonia
Fatal to Uniontown War
Veteran.

LONG INSTITUTE RECORD

Twice stricken with pneumonia in less than four months, William T. Kennedy, one of Uniontown's leading citizens, died Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at his home in Lebanon avenue. A veteran of the Civil War and one always identified with the activities of the Grand Army of the Republic, Mr. Kennedy enjoyed a wide acquaintance among the boys in blue. As treasurer of the Fayette County Teachers' Institute for 45 years, he was known personally by thousands of teachers who have attended the annual gatherings in Uniontown.

W. T. Kennedy was born August 7, 1845, in Wharton township, Fayette county, and would have been 78 years of age next August 7. He taught school for 28 years, two years in Missouri and the other 26 in Fayette county, principally in Wharton and South Union townships and in Uniontown.

He served throughout the Civil War as a member of Company F, 10th Pennsylvania Infantry, and was one of the very few survivors of that famous organization. From the close of the Civil War until his death, he was active in the Grand Army of the Republic. For the past 10 years he has been a prominent figure in the State G. A. R. circles and nationally prominent in the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States. He attended most of the national conventions and served for many years on the staff of the national commander. He was chief mustering officer of the State G. A. R. at the time of his death, a post he had held for many years.

Mr. Kennedy was founder and organizer of the Fayette County Veterans Association and was active in its organization.

He was first seriously stricken last February while arranging for a Lincoln's Birthday anniversary program by Will F. Stewart Post, G. A. R., to be held in the schools of Uniontown. He then suffered an attack of pneumonia but his rugged constitution carried him through. As soon as he was able to be out, he began preparations in collaboration with the members of the G. A. R. for the Memorial Day celebration and took an active part in that program. He was again stricken while assisting in arrangements for the state encampment of the G. A. R. at Greensburg early this month and was unable to be present. This other attack of pneumonia, aggravated by other complications, was too much for his rugged vitality.

Mr. Kennedy was among the organizers of Will F. Stewart Post, No. 130, G. A. R. and had been honored with every office in the post.

Mr. Kennedy for years had been active in the work of his church, the Third Presbyterian, and at the time of his death was one of the elders of the church.

Mr. Kennedy's 23 years as a teacher in the public schools gave him a wonderfully clear conception of the needs of the schools and of the children.

He was active for years in Fayette county institutes and for 48 consecutive years was treasurer of the Fayette county teachers' institutes, a record equaled probably by no other man in the state. He had been re-elected as treasurer of the county institute for the last session, which would have been his 49th consecutive institute.

Mr. Kennedy held only one public office, serving two terms as a jury commissioner. He was active in the work of the Odd Fellows and served as secretary of the Uniontown lodge for a number of years.

He was employed for 21 years as field agent for the Uniontown Standard, his work carrying him into many sections of the county. He retired from this work on April 30, 1923, and since that time had lived a retired life. He had lived at his present residence on Lebanon avenue for 42 years. In recent years his son, James A. Kennedy, had made his home there.

Mr. Kennedy's wife, Nancy Ellen Moore Kennedy, died in January, 1915. To that union the following children were born: James A. Kennedy, Mrs. Jessie Kennedy Romberg, of Uniontown, and Miss Minnie Kennedy, William W. Kennedy, Samuel Kennedy and Miss Pearl Kennedy, deceased.

Ants Ent Babies.
Ants native to Argentina are said to have been known to eat babies in their cradles.

REV. LAMBERTSON ASKED TO RETURN FOR TENTH YEAR

At the annual congregational meeting of the Methodist Protestant Church, the pastor, Rev. J. H. Lambertson, was given an unanimous call to return for the 10th year. Under his pastorate the congregation has grown from 250 members to 600 and all the organizations of the church are in growing and prosperous condition.

At the congregational meeting the election resulted as follows: Trustees, Dr. G. W. Gallagher, Worth Kilpatrick, C. L. Inks, C. V. Snader, Jerome McCormick, E. M. Penn and S. T. Benford; stewards, E. N. Sladway, C. N. Shaw, Robert Heffley, George Swadlow, C. V. Snader, C. L. Inks, R. Boyd, Mrs. James Candy, Miss Beatrice Patterson, E. M. Penn, L. J. Custer, E. B. Small, Mrs. Rockwell Marietta, Miss Mary Parkhill, S. T. Benford and Mrs. J. J. Robinson; ushers, Archie Balesley, Paul Lambertson, Charles Penn, Albert Fulmer, Charles Crouse, C. V. Snader, Robert Heffley, Charles N. Shaw, E. N. Sladway and S. T. Benford.

E. B. Small was elected delegate and Robert Heffley alternate to represent the church at the annual Pittsburgh conference, which will convene on September 5 at Overbrook, a suburb of Pittsburgh.

Howitzer Company Pistol Team Wins Regimental Shoot

The pistol team representing the Howitzer Company at the annual 10th Regimental Shoot held in Greensburg on Saturday, carried off first honors, both in individual shooting and as a team.

The team was composed of the three best shots in the company, they being Sergeant L. F. Conn, Corporal Elmer D. Henry and Corporal Edward C. Conn. Both slow-fire and rapid-fire, at ranges of 25 to 50 yards, were used. The local team made a total of 421 points out of a possible 1,000. Company H with 491 points was next, Company M had 465, Company D 455, and others still less. By taking first place the local team won a handsome silver loving cup.

Corporal Elmer D. Henry won the medal for being the best individual shot, making a total of 251 points out of a possible 420.

Mount Pleasant Girl Fires Bullet Into Her Breast

MOUNT PLEASANT, June 25.—Miss Anna Rumbaugh is in the Memorial Hospital here suffering with a bullet wound in her breast.

Miss Rumbaugh, who has been suffering from a nervous breakdown, shot herself while at her country home near Standard Saturday. The bullet entered just above the heart.

Capt. Charles Howard Dies at Summer Home

Word was received Saturday by H. E. Howard of Connellsville of the death of his brother, Captain Charles Howard of New York, at his summer home at St. Michael, Md., at the age of 75 years. Captain Howard paid a visit to Connellsville about a year ago. He was a brother of the late James W. Howard.

Captain Howard saw active service with the Red Cross in the World War, at the age of about 70 years. Prior to the war he had an extensive army and navy experience. His wife survives.

Child Inhales Bean, Dies in Hospital

Mary Elizabeth Milson, two years and seven months old, daughter of Elmer and Katie Milson, of near Fairchance died Saturday afternoon in a Pittsburgh hospital, while undergoing an operation for the removal of a bean which she "swallowed" Saturday morning. The bean lodged in the windpipe, later settling on the lungs. In addition to her parents she is survived by one brother and one sister.

Harry Randolph Athletic Director

Harry Randolph, whose home is in Dunbar township, Fayette county, has been named as football coach and athletic director at Lincolnton Institute, Wheeling, W. Va., for the coming school year, according to word received here.

Randolph is under contract with the Detroit American League baseball club but is playing with Birmingham, Ala., this season.

Coal Freight Rates

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1923.

TO EASTERN PORTS		ORIGINATING DISTRICT			
Rate per Gross Ton of 2,240 lbs.		Connellsville			
		Westmoreland			
		Pittsburg	Fairmont	G'burg	Latrobe
		(9)	(8)	(7)	(6)
Baltimore, Md. (Trunk Daily).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Chester, Pa. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Chester, Pa. (P. & R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Harrisburg, Pa. (P. R. R. & P.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Johnstown, Pa. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Lebanon, Pa. (P. R. R. & P.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
New York, N. Y. (Baltim.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Philadelphia, Pa. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Sparrows Point.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Steelton, Pa. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
South Bethlehem, Pa. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Syracuse, N. Y. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
To ATLANTIC PORTS via P. & O.:					
Greenwich, local.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Greenwich, export.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
South Amboy, F. O. B. vessels.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Harlem, N. Y. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Greenwich, local.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Canton, Baltim., local.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Canton, Baltim., export.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
To ATLANTIC PORTS via B. & O.:					
St. George, Piers Bridge.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Arlington and St. George Piers.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Philadelphia, P. R. R., with Cape.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Philadelphia P. & R., without Cape.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Curtis Bay and Baltim. Piers, with Cape.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Curtis Bay and Baltim. Piers, without Cape.....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24

The rate from points on the Monongahela Railway in the Fairmont group and the Pennsylvania Railroad to Baltimore, N. Y. is \$1.75 per net ton. Rates to Johnstown from Greensburg and Latrobe groups apply specifically from point of origin to destination.

The Connellsville rate applies to shipments from points on the Pennsylvania Railroad south of Greensburg, and from points on the Monongahela River Railroad.

The Fairmont rate on shipments via the Baltimore & Ohio applies to shipments from points east of Slatersville, Pa.; from points on the Smithfield & Altoona Branch and from the Fairmont Region of West Virginia.

TO WESTERN PORTS		ORIGINATING DISTRICT			
Rate per Net Ton of 2,000 lbs.		Connellsville			
		Upper			
		C'ville			
		(2)			
Canton, O. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Chicago, Ill. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Cleveland, O. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Columbus, O. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Detroit, Mich. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Indiana Harbor, Ind. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Toledo, O. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Youngstown, O. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Lake Erie (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
To CANADIAN BASING POINTS:					
Buffalo, N. Y. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
Port Maitland, Ont. (P. R. R.).....	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24

These rates apply in a general way to shipments from the territory described. There are, however, numerous extensions to the specific rates quoted and in each case before applying the rate as a basis for freight charges the shipper or consignee should determine the exact location of the mine from which the business will move, then refer to the tariff naming the rate in question.

The Pittsburgh District includes points east as far as Latrobe and south on the Southwest Branch to and including Ruffalo; south to but not including Brownsville on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston Railroad; eastward to Dawson on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad; and eastward to Dickinson Run and southwest to and including Brownsville on the New York Central lines.

The Connellsville District includes points on the Southwest Branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad south of Ruffalo; on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston except Brannell and all Monongahela River Railroad points; New York Central points east of Dickinson Run; and Connellsville, Traylor, and points on the Baltimore & Ohio, Dawson to Point Marion, Pa.

Leg Amputated At Hip Without The Use of Ether

A remarkable instance of ability to withstand a major operation without the use of ether or chloroform is that related of George Beeghly, 56 years old of Friendsville, Md., a brother of J. H. Beeghly of South Connellsville. Using only local anesthetic agents at the Western Maryland Hospital at Cumberland, Md., removed Mr. Beeghly's right leg close to the hip, according to word received by the brother here. The operation was the second one on the leg to check cancer resulting from an injury while working in a ditch in the spring and was performed after the surgeons told him it would be useless.

Five days later, wanting to get home, Mr. Beeghly rode in an automobile, sitting beside the driver, 42 miles to Accident, Md., where he remained overnight with a sister, Mrs. A. J. Alexander, continuing the trip the following day. He did not seem to suffer from the first part of the journey but the second, over rough roads, taxed his strength so that he was put to bed. Sunday, for the first time since the early part of June, he was able to sit up. It is said the wound is healing, with no indication of recurrence of cancer.

Mr. Beeghly is unmarried. He lives at the home of Lafayette Frazer.

County Judges Upheld In Reversals of Two Decisions by Juries

The State Supreme Court has affirmed two important decisions made by the Fayette county court. In both cases the verdicts of the juries were set aside by the judges and in each instance the ruling of the judge was upheld.

In one, Millie D. Sackett of Springhill had been awarded \$7,045 for damages sustained when a horse which she was riding went through a bridge, throwing her into the stream. The jury made the award but Judge E. H. Reppert reversed it. His decision was one of those affirmed by the state court.

In the other case Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen had set aside the decision of the jury allowing James J. Querrimont \$2,500.27 damages against John B. Moore and the Fanny Hill Coal Company, which arose from a dispute over the ownership of some coal. The reversal was affirmed.

Machinist Becomes Insane at Work

Frank Swinkler, 33, of Morrell, a Baltimore & Ohio machinist helper, was taken to the hospital Saturday night after he suddenly became insane, while at his work in the shops. It required five men to hold the unfortunate man while a call was sent to the railroad police department and for a physician.

The man was formerly employed by the Slatersville Fire Brick Company. He had been working for the railroad only a short time.

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County Bar Picnic To Be Held at Old Brown Farm July 7

The annual picnic of the Fayette County Bar Association will be held Saturday, July 7. It was announced Monday. The outing will be at Lunger, longer, the old Sam Brown place, a few miles back in the mountains beyond the Summit.

A big dinner is being arranged and an athletic program will be carried out. The committee in charge is composed of D. W. McDonald, H. S. Dumbarger, J. J. E. J. McDaniel and William McColland.

Grim Reaper

MRS. ELIZABETH CARR REED.
Mrs. Elizabeth H. Carr Reed, 55 years old, widow of Joseph F. Reed, died Thursday afternoon at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George R. Reed, of 214 Trowbridge avenue, Hazleton. She had been ill of arterio sclerosis but her death was not expected.

Mrs. Reed was well known in Connellsville and community, having moved from Belle Vernon to the West Side, then New Haven, in 1875. She continued to make her home there until the death of her sister, Miss Mollie Carr, with whom she resided, a few years ago. Mr. Reed, who was a well-known blacksmith, employed at one time by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, died 27 years ago. Since going to Pittsburgh Mrs. Reed made her home with her son, George K. and family. She was born near Flatwoods, March 14, 1835, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Carr, who were among the best known residents of the section. She was the mother of three sons, all in the service of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company for many years. George K. Reed, the only surviving son, will round out his 40th year as an employee of the company in a very short time. He is a well-known passenger engineer on train Nos. 42 and 7, running between Pittsburgh and Cumberland. Captain James B. Reed, who died over two years ago, was a passenger conductor for many years, while Charles Reed, whose death occurred a year ago, was an engineer. Mrs. Reed was one of the first passengers to ride on the Baltimore & Ohio free train run following the completion of the connecting link of the old Pittsburgh & Connellsville Railroad from Layton to Connellsville. The cars were gondolas and when the train arrived in Connellsville a brass band and a military company had assembled at the station in observance of the occasion. A large brass cannon placed where the city hall now stands fired three volleys.

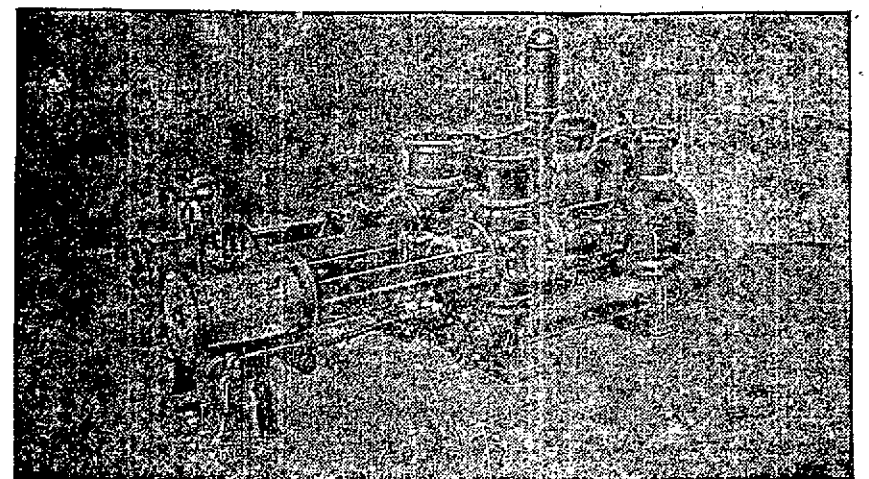
Mrs. Reed while a resident of Connellsville was a member of the Christian Church. She was highly esteemed and respected by all who knew her and to many of her younger friends was known as "Grandmother" Reed. Since going to Hazleton she had attended St. Paul's Lutheran Church of that place. Besides her son she is survived by one sister, Mrs. Bina Piersol of Star Junction, one brother, Bowman Carr of Flatwoods, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

MRS. MARTHA E. RIGGIN.
SCOTSDALE, June 23.—Mrs. Martha Elizabeth Riggins, 63 years old, died this morning at the Memorial Hospital at Mount Pleasant. She was

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the widow of Stephen D. Riggins and is survived by 10 children.

OWEN GAITHER.
Owen Gaither, colored, 48 years old, died Sunday in Richmond, Ind. He formerly resided in Connellsville and for several years was a waiter at the Smith House and the Arlington Hotel. Later he was employed at the Sligo mills. He was born at Petersburg, W. Va., a son of Joseph and Rebecca Gaither and is survived by two brothers, Garrett, of Petersburg, W. Va., and Edward of this city, and one sister, Mrs. Rebecca Henson, of Petersburg, W. Va.

BAILEY SHUMAKER.
MEYERSDALE, June 26.—Bailey Shumaker, one of the oldest residents of Southampton township, died Saturday at the family home near Gladens. He is survived by several children. The deceased was well past 50. Mr. Shumaker was a brother of the late Abraham Shumaker, and also a twin brother of the late Cornelius Shumaker, ancestors of the present Shumaker family in Meyersdale and vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shumaker, local relatives, attended the funeral held this afternoon.

MRS. EMMA C. SOISSON.
Following an illness of paralysis, Mrs. Emma C. Soisson, 82 years old, one of the most widely known residents of Connellsville, died Saturday afternoon at her home at 516 Jackson avenue. Her death was not unexpected. She was stricken on May 7 and hopes were entertained for her recovery until June 7, when she suffered a relapse into a state of coma from which condition she never recovered. Mrs. Soisson was born at

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ROCHESTER, Pa., April 30, 1881, a daughter of the late George and Mary A. Whitney. When she was about five years old the family moved to North Side, Pittsburgh, where Mrs. Soisson spent her early life. In 1884 she was married to John P. Soisson, a well-known brick manufacturer, who died suddenly in November, 1899 in a hotel in Philadelphia where he had gone on business. He was a son of the late Joseph and Caroline Soisson of Connellsville, the latter's death occurring two weeks ago last Friday. Five children were born to the union, four surviving as follows: John Whitney Soisson, of Connellsville; Miss Hilda A. Soisson, at home; Rene, wife of John J. Foley of Connellsville, and Adrienne, wife of Francis M. Brady, at home. She is also survived by five grandchildren, Anna Mary, John P., Marjorie and Hubert Soisson, children of Mr. and Mrs. John Whitney Soisson and John Soisson Foley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Foley; three brothers, William, Eugene and Charles Whitney, all of Cleveland; two sisters, Mrs. Mary C. Betz, of Cleveland and Sister M. Angelica, of the Dominican Order, stationed at Holy Rosary Academy, Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Soisson had spent her married life in Connellsville and by her gracious manner won the friendship and esteem of all with whom she came in contact.

The funeral will be held Tuesday morning at 8:30 o'clock from the family home, followed by a solemn high mass of requiem at 9 o'clock at the Immaculate Conception Church of which the deceased was a prominent member. The interment will be made in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

WILLIAM H. SHANNON.
SCOTSDALE, June 25.—William H. Shannon, 76 years old, died Sunday at his home at 331 Delaware avenue. He had been ill for several months. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Alice Shannon, two sons and two daughters, William R. and Samuel J. of Scottdale, Mrs. Rodney Bruce of Canonsburg and Mrs. William England of Arvon Park, Fla.

LEVI NICOLA.
Levi Nicola, 76 years old, well-known resident of Breakneck, died Thursday afternoon, June 19, at his home at 331 Delaware avenue. He had been ill for several months. He is survived by two sons, Frank, at home, and Calvin of Breakneck; and one daughter, Mrs. Goldie Adams, also of Breakneck.

SARAH SOPHIA GIERTSEN.
SCOTSDALE, June 20.—Sarah Sophia Giersten, 10 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer M. Giersten, died at Akron, Ohio, June 15. The body was brought to the funeral home of J. L. Murphy & Son. The funeral service will be held at Mount Olive Church tomorrow at 2 o'clock.